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Sewer spill being addressed on River Road

A portion of a 24-inch waste water pipe main line has broken near the intersection of River Road and Bryan Road. The spill was detected by City staff at approximately 7 am Sunday morning. As of 1 pm, it is estimated that 15,000 gallons of wastewater has left the system and made its way into the Cape Fear River via a storm drain. City crews have begun excavating the site and will repair the line when they get full access to it this afternoon. The cause of the break is not yet known. There will be another update sent to the media later today.

There is no threat to drinking water and waste water services have not been interrupted. However, as a precaution, the city recommends that citizens not come into contact with the water. The Division of Water Quality (DWQ) and the New Hanover County Health Department have been notified of this spill.

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